

# California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Sunday, December 20, 2020  
9:00 AM PDT

- **Day 1 (Sunday):** Gusty winds and continued dry conditions across portions of southern California will cause elevated to locally critical fire weather concerns.

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# **WEATHER KEY POINTS**

**12/20/20 - 12/26/20**

## **Sunday-Tuesday**

- Gusty offshore winds and continued dry conditions across portions of southern California through Monday will create elevated to locally critical fire weather concerns
  - Winds will remain breezy Tuesday, but will turn onshore with higher relative humidities
- Periods of light precipitation are possible near the Oregon border and in the northern Sierra through the next few days, especially Monday evening through Tuesday morning, but no significant impacts are currently expected

## **Tuesday Night - Thursday**

- Dry conditions are expected statewide
- A moderate Santa Ana wind event will bring another period of gusty winds to southern California, with critical fire weather conditions possible

## **Friday-Saturday**

- A series of storm systems could bring valley rain and mountain snow to the state Friday through the upcoming weekend



# CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

12/20/20 - 12/26/20

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds</b>				Southern	Southern		
<b>Snow</b>						Inland mtns	Inland mtns
<b>Coastal Flooding</b>							
<b>River Flooding</b>							
<b>Thunderstorms</b> (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)							
<b>Fire Weather</b> (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)	Southern	Southern		Southern	Southern		
<b>Heat Risk</b>							
<b>Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding / Debris Flow</b>							
<b>Cold</b>							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



Moderate Impacts



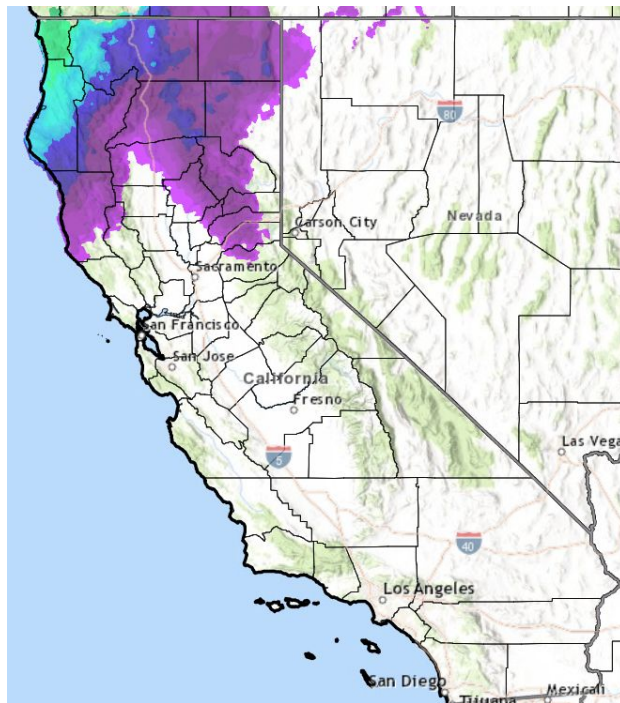
Severe Impacts

# PRECIPITATION FORECAST

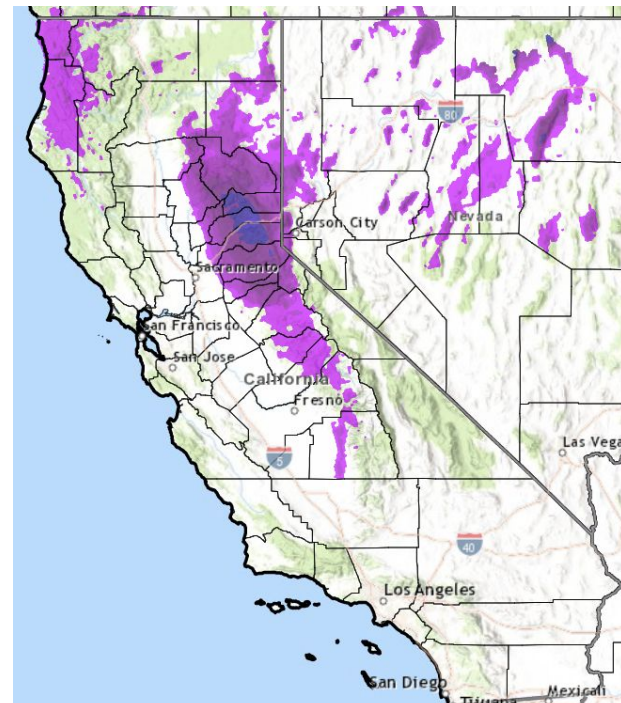
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**Sunday**



**Monday**



**Tuesday**

**Precipitation (inches)**



# **WEATHER OUTLOOK**

**12/25/20 - 01/02/21**

## **6-10 Day Outlook (December 25 – December 30)**

### **Temperatures**

- Above normal temperatures favored statewide

### **Precipitation**

- Above normal precipitation favored for the northern half of California, with near normal precipitation favored for the southern half of the state

## **8-14 Day Outlook (December 27 – January 2)**

### **Temperatures**

- Near normal temperatures favored statewide

### **Precipitation**

- Below normal precipitation slightly favored statewide



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